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Fee Filer Now Available for 2005 Regulatory Fees

As in prior years, the FCC is providing the Fee Filer online system for the payment of annual regulatory fees and the electronic submission of related filing data.

The *Regulatory Fees* section enables filers to quickly and easily provide information required to complete FCC Form 159, "Remittance Advice." An advanced file upload feature facilitates filings which may involve large numbers of licenses and/or multiple licensees.

Although Fee Filer ultimately remains a tool for self-reporting regulatory fees for Fiscal Year 2005, the FCC now offers to populate the necessary information for the user for fees for which bills or assessments have been previously mailed to the licensee or permit holder. This feature is currently limited to (1) Interstate Telephone Service Providers; (2) Geostationary and Non-Geostationary Satellites; (3) Cable; and (4) Media (AM/FM/Television) services.

Filers may also control how to submit and pay for groups of fees, either making multiple submissions or a single combined submission for numerous licensees or services. One payment is expected for each submission.

The Commission continues to provide Fee Filer year-round for those filers who need to pay bills, past due regulatory fees, or application fees for electronically filed applications. Filers may pay past due regulatory fees back to FY 2000; Fee Filer automatically calculates any applicable late fee penalties.

Fee Filer can be accessed from the left side of the FCC Fees page (<http://www.fcc.gov/fees>) or at <http://www.fcc.gov/fees/feefiler.html>.

Due Date for Paying Regulatory Fees is September 7, 2005

For the convenience of filers, FY 2005 regulatory fee payments may be made using Fee Filer or via regular mail to Mellon Bank at any time after the 2005 rates are published in the *Order in MD Docket No. 05-59 and Order on Reconsideration in MD Docket No. 04-73*, but are due by September 7, 2005. Payments received after 11:59 p.m. ET on September 7, 2005 will be assessed a 25% late payment fee.

Regulatory Fee Payments for Online Submissions

Payments may be made by secure online credit card or online direct debit from a bank account (ACH) and will be considered received by the FCC at the time of the online payment. If this option is chosen, there is no need to submit a paper copy of any form, including the FCC Form 159, "Remittance Advice," to the FCC. An online receipt may be printed for the filer's records as proof of payment.

The remaining payment options are check, money order, manually submitted credit card, or wire transfer. (Mellon Bank's Customer-Initiated Payment (CIP) Plan is no longer available for Fee Filer submissions.)

If not paying online, the FCC Form 159-E, "Remittance Voucher," and attached payment, must be mailed to the Federal Communications Commission, Regulatory Fees, PO Box 358365, Pittsburgh, PA 15251-5365. For more information on alternate mailing options, click *Regulatory Fees* on the FCC Fees page (<http://www.fcc.gov/fees>).

Updated Features for Easier Filing

In 2005, Fee Filer's user interface is better organized and more intuitive, including expanded explanations and guidance, making for an easier filing experience. Additionally, the FCC now offers to populate more information for certain fees, reducing the information collection burden on the public.

Prior to this year, filers wishing to pay for both billed regulatory fees (requires FCC Form 159-B) and unbilled regulatory fees (requires FCC Form 159/159-C) had to remit two payments to ensure proper credit. In 2005, Fee Filer seamlessly integrates both billed and unbilled regulatory fees and allows a single online payment. For payments remitted via mail, the introduction of FCC Form 159-E, "Remittance Voucher," enables proper credit to be allocated with a single payment.

The new electronic form, FCC Form 159-E, was created to streamline and simplify payments and to ensure proper credit for a mailed or faxed payment associated with regulatory fee information submitted online via Fee Filer. Form 159-E will be generated by Fee Filer and should be printed, and then mailed or faxed by the payer in lieu of FCC Form 159, "Remittance Advice."

For Further Assistance

The Financial Operations Help Desk (1-877-480-3201, option 4, 4) can provide assistance with Fee Filer and is staffed from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ET on business days. You can e-mail your questions to arinquiries@fcc.gov.

Internet Requirements for Using Fee Filer

Fee Filer is available to any FCC customer with Internet access using the following browsers: (1) Netscape Navigator 6.0 or higher; (2) Microsoft Internet Explorer 4.01 or higher; or (3) Mozilla Firefox 1.0 or higher, with SSL and JavaScript enabled and pop-up blocker must be disabled.